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Kentucky State Bar Association.

MEETING IN McCRACKEN COURT HOUSE

Large Gathering of Leaders
of Bench and Bar to Lis-
ten to Fine Speeches.

Attorney General Wickersham Will Address Public
at Kentucky Theater.

Rain did not dampen the interest in the eighth annual meeting of the Kentucky State Bar association, which began this morning and will continue until tomorrow when the session will close with a banquet. Tonight the big event will be the address on "State Legislation Regarding Foreign Corporations," by Attorney General George W. Wickersham, of Washington. The address will be delivered in the Kentucky theater, and the entire public is invited. No admission fee will be charged.

Owing to the heavy downpour of rain at the hour set for the meeting the trend of business did not begin until 11:35 o'clock in order that all of the members might reach the court house. The meetings are held in the circuit court room, which has been newly frescoed and given a thorough cleaning. The court room presented a neat appearance, while the bench was a bank of ferns. The court room is the coolest place in the city, and today the audience did not suffer from the heat to the extreme.

President John R. Allen rapped for order at 11:35 o'clock and the Rev. G. T. Sullivan made a short prayer. Judge William Reed delivered the address of welcome on behalf of the city, the McCracken County Bar association and western Kentucky. President John R. Allen replied on behalf of the Kentucky State Bar association. In the president's address particular attention was called to the enforcement of the sanitary laws of the state. Owing to the fact that no session of the legislature was held last winter, the state laws did not come in for comment, although he mentioned things that were undone. The legislation of the federal government was commented on freely and President Allen thought great good had been done by the government in enforcing the Sherman act.

Lunch at Court House.

It was 1:30 when the state bar association adjourned for lunch in the county court room today, the whole morning program being first completed. Attorney General Wickersham was present at the session and shook hands with all the visiting attorneys. He seemed to enjoy the informal lunch greatly. He will leave at 1:30 tonight.

President John R. Allen in his report referred to the demand for legislative and executive reforms, and admitted the vast influence of Theodore Roosevelt in stimulating and giving point to this demand. He referred to the employers' liability act, the pure food law, the act to promote the safety of railroad employees, the land and homestead amendments, naturalization and immigration laws, national banking law amendments and many others.

He also mentioned the federal prosecutions, especially against conspiracies in restraint of trade. He said it is a source of congratulation that the present national administration has indicated that it has no intention to abandon the strict enforcement of the law.

He believes in the next few years America will have a better, juster, purer government than ever. He added the warning that in the general demand for economic and sociological reforms, it is the duty of the legal profession to see that the demands are not pushed to the extent of forcing the government beyond constitutional bounds.

President Allen referred to the necessity for higher standards for admission to the bar. He referred to a number of recent state decisions and called upon the bar to take the lead in every uplifting movement.

Reports.

Treasurer Dodd reported \$1,147.04 in the treasury. Secretary McDowell reported briefly concerning the work of the organization during the year, and W. F. Bradshaw, Jr., of Paducah, read the membership report, showing there are 604 members, of whom 48 are honorary.

The following members died during the year: Judge Jerry R. Morton, Lexington; Charles J. Bronston,

THE TAX COMMISSION MEETING THIS MORNING IS EARNEST AND ENTHUSIASTIC



CIRCUIT JUDGE WM. REED
Who welcomed State Bar to Paducah

Circuit Judge William Reed welcomed the state bar association this morning in the following words:

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Kentucky State Bar association: On behalf of the Paducah Bar association, the citizens of Paducah, and the bar of western Kentucky, I assure you it affords me no small pleasure to extend to you a cordial greeting and a hearty welcome to the city of Paducah, the metropolis of what is known as Jackson's Purchase and of western Kentucky.

We have looked forward to your coming with mingled feelings of pride and pleasure—of pride, because you do us the honor of holding one of your annual meetings in our city; of pleasure, because of this opportunity for social intercourse with you and exchange of ideas. On the latter point, however, we expect to and doubtless will get much the better of you.

You come to us from different portions of the state; some from the metropolis of the state, the city of Louisville; others from the world-famed Blue Grass regions, central Kentucky; other from the beautiful cities at the mouth of the Licking, the northern portion of the state, and still others, so to speak, from the far east.

It is to be hoped that this meeting will prove fruitful in bringing many of you in closer relation and closer touch with many of the members of the bar of western Kentucky who have not heretofore actively participated in your deliberations.

We hope to be able, during your sojourn with us, to manifest such civility towards you, and to treat you so cordially that when you go from us, you will carry with you no lingering regrets that you came. While there are certain social features incident to these annual meetings of this association, the pleasures are, so far as my observation extends, always secondary, and have been made subservient to the main purpose of this organization, that is to say, the up-building and the betterment of our noble profession, which always has and doubtless will, so long as men are ruled by law, wield a most potent influence in the affairs of government and the administering of justice.

It has been said by an eminent orator and statesman, that the government of the United States is, and always has been, a lawyer's government, and it is true that nearly all of our presidents, I believe all but three or four, were lawyers; four-fifths of our cabinet ministers and a large majority of both houses of our congress have always been members of the bar. The same, to a great extent, is and always has been true, of the executive and legislative departments of our respective state governments, of course, exclusively so as to the judicial department.

It has always been true that when the organic law of our nation, or any one of our states was to be formed or reformed, we looked mainly to the lawyers. It is true, that when statutes are to be written, when the rules governing civil conduct are to be construed and enforced, we must turn, mainly to the legal profession. So often does the public look to the members of the profession for guidance and representation in public affairs, it behooves the profession, and there should be a burning desire in the heart of every member thereof, to maintain the highest standard of professional integrity, as well as of professional fitness on the part of those engaged in its arduous and exacting duties.

Though we may not hope to be able to make our profession as chaste as ice, or as pure as snow, or at all times free from calumny, or even from just criticism, yet by these annual gatherings, we have generated in the profession a senti-

Those Who Attended Are
Greatly Interested and
Everybody Takes Part in
Discussion.

When the tax commission, appointed by the governor to make an investigation concerning the state revenue system, met in the council chamber of the city hall this morning at 9:30 o'clock there was a small but enthusiastic gathering of the representative business men of Paducah present.

The object of this meeting was to learn the opinions of the business men concerning the present system.

Mr. William H. Mackoy, of Covington, presided as chairman of the meeting, and as this is a voluntary act everyone felt at liberty to express his views.

Mr. Mackoy opened the meeting with a short address, saying that this is merely a volunteer act and service on his part and that the people of Paducah should have an advisory commission to ascertain the views of citizens of this state and examine systems in other states, and that amendments be voted upon.

The following gentlemen made brief talks: Messrs. W. H. Mackoy, William Hummel, F. M. Fisher, William Marble, D. A. Yeiser, Frank Lucas, J. P. Smith, J. A. Rudy and John K. Hendrick.

The opinions expressed by these men were that taxes work hardships on the farmers, as people in the city limits are delinquent about paying taxes and the city limits should be extended; that in order to increase the population and bring in capital from other cities the city should decrease the rate of taxation; also that the business men should take more interest in these affairs and send better representatives to the legislature.

People in this state send out their money to other states to be loaned because of the low rate of interest on mortgages. The assessors should add a third column which gives the value the owner puts on his property for sale. This could be done by a slight change in the law.

As the bar association held its meeting this morning, only a few being present, it was decided to continue this meeting until tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Attila Cox is Dead

Louisville, July 7, (Special.)—Attila Cox, former president of the Columbia Trust company and the Henderson route, died this morning.

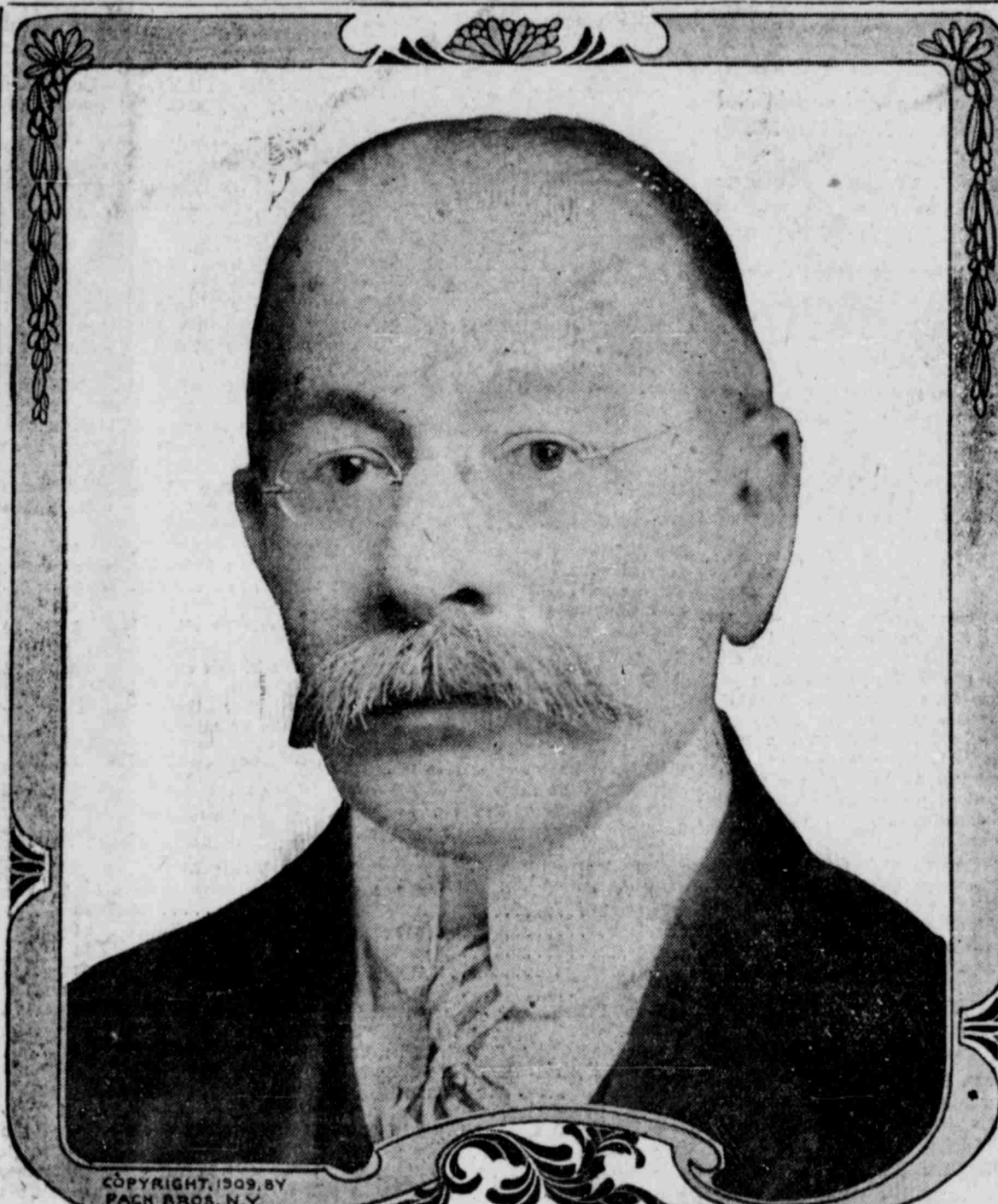
TARIFF PASSED, EXCEPTING THE RESERVATIONS

Washington, July 7.—Senator Aldrich announced shortly after noon he thought the tariff bill would pass within a few hours. It is rumored the corporation tax will be reduced from 2 to 1 per cent and an inheritance tax to the same amount will be introduced. After the routine business Aldrich invited the senators to make a reservation of amendments on which they desired a separate vote. Senator Bailey made the first reservation, the corporation tax provision. He will offer an income tax as a substitute. Hepburn reserved zinc; Stone, of Missouri, hides and leather; McClellan, farming implements. Others included on cotton ties, meats, sugar and wool in the Philippine sections. After the reservations all amendments, not thus withheld, were adopted without opposition.

Additional tariff reservations, maximum and minimum, customs on courts, and countervailing duty on celluloid, moving picture films, chalk, and writing paper, the tariff commission, mineral waters, tiles, asphalt, earthenware, steel plates, chrome, models of invention, and clay, glue, gypsum, figs, raisins, currants, flax fabrics, brushes, dolls, rubber goods and scrap rubber.

Chicago Market.

	July—	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat	1.14	1.14	1.14	1.14
Corn	.68	.68	.67	.67
Oats	.48	.48	.47	.47
Provisions	20.62	20.50	20.52	
Lard	11.77	11.72	11.75	
Sept.				
Ribs	11.20	11.15	11.15	



GEORGE W. WICKERSHAM, WHO SUCCEEDS BONAPARTE AS ATTORNEY GENERAL.

George W. Wickersham, whom Mr. Taft has chosen for attorney general in his cabinet, is a member of the law firm of Strong & Cadwalader, Wall street, New York, and is one of the best versed men in corporation law in America. He is a close friend of Henry W. Taft, who is also a member of the same firm. He was counsel for the Interborough-Metropolitan interests in New York, but voluntarily resigned that post last fall because he did not wish to embarrass Mr. Taft on account of Henry W. Taft's connection with his own law firm. He hails from Pennsylvania and is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania.

COUNTY HIGH IS NOT TO BE BUILT UNTIL NEXT YEAR

Owing to the delay in making arrangements for the erection of the new county high school building at Heath, it has been decided to not attempt its construction this summer. Instead the county school officials have leased the college building at Lone Oak, where the first session of the county high school will be held. The plans for the building have not been completed, and the work has been stopped temporarily.

The county school officials realized that the building could not be erected by September, and thought it would be better to go slow about the construction. It will be erected by September, 1910. It is probable that the work will begin early next spring, and the contractor will have plenty of time. The building will be constructed of marbleite.

Prof. J. S. Ragsdale has been elected principal of the school. It is thought that one teacher will be sufficient for the first session, but if the attendance justifies it it is the intention of the school board to employ an assistant. The session will begin September 6, and will continue for nine months. The consolidated school will be taught in the same building with the high school.

July 31 the divisional boards will meet to elect teachers for any vacancies that may exist in the teaching corps. There are only a few vacancies, as there was a large number of applicants for the positions.

TAXPAYERS NOTICE.
The Kentucky Tax Commission and Advisory Board hold a meeting with the citizens of Paducah tomorrow, Thursday, July 8, at 9 a. m., at city hall, for the purpose of discussing the tax question, and the laws pertaining thereto, with a view of securing needed legislation in the interest of Kentucky and the citizens. An expression is desired by this board on the part of the Paducah people as to what changes in the law they consider necessary and best. This is a most important conference, to which the taxpayers are urgently requested to come.

Respectfully,
JAMES P. SMITH, Mayor.

Three More Days of Racing This Week

Three more days of racing, commencing tomorrow, will be held at the Fairgrounds. This was decided upon by the association at a meeting this morning. The events will be especially good.

Five races will be run as follows:
First Race.
Two-year-olds. Purse \$100. Winner to be sold at auction for \$300. Five furlongs.

Second Race.
For four-year-olds and upwards. Purse \$100. Ten pounds below the scale. Winner to be sold for \$200. Five furlongs.

Third Race.
For four-year-olds and upwards. Purse \$100. Selling. \$600. Weight for age. Three pounds for each one hundred to \$200. One mile.

Fourth Race.
For four-year-olds and upwards.

BLACK AND WHITE MEN ALTERNATE ON CITY'S STACK

Two strikes in two days is the record of the employees of the James Jewell & Sons, who are erecting the brick smoke stack at the city lighting plant. Yesterday morning the colored laborers struck because the contractors refused to raise wages. The stack will be 110 feet high, and already has been erected about 75 feet. On account of the draft through the stack the workmen laying brick at the summit struck and the others followed through sympathy. Yesterday afternoon white workmen were secured, and the work progressed well until this morning when the white men struck for higher wages. The contractor refused to grant the concession and the colored laborers returned to work.

NIGHT RIDERS SERVE NOTICE IN PAPER

Madisonville, Ky., July 7. (Special.)—The Madisonville Journal received a letter, signed "night riders," warning those planters who have not pooled, that they will be whipped and the barns burned.

Purse \$100. Selling. All to be sold for \$200. Four furlongs.
Fifth Race.

For three-year-olds. Purse \$100. Selling. Winner to be sold at auction for \$400. Six furlongs.
No entrance fee. Division of purse: \$65, first; \$25, second; \$10, third.

First Race.
Black Boy—118 pounds.
Elodia B.—115 pounds.
Mizriam—113 pounds.
Enrich—115 pounds.
Simp—115 pounds.
Lady Helen—115 pounds.

Second Race.
St. Caro—111 pounds.
Enlist—104 pounds.
Louis K.—107 pounds.
Railbert—111 pounds.
Bess Ward—107 pounds.

Third Race.
Sir Walter Rollins—109 pounds.
LaFayette—109 pounds.
Comic Opera—109 pounds.
Grenade—110 pounds.
Beststarting 109 pounds.
McAtee—110 pounds.

Fourth Race.
Oddox—119 pounds.
Granaday—119 pounds.
Bancob Bob—11 pounds.
Dick Ripley—119 pounds.
May Cooley—117 pounds.

Fifth Race.
Terape—117 pounds.
Guard Rail—119 pounds.
Colomo—112 pounds.
Inela—117 pounds.
May Cooley—117 pounds.

Ladies free. The horses will be started by the well-known starter, Jim Milton.

Mr. Scholler, of Franklin, Ind., who has been starter at the races, withdrew today, and James Milton, engaged for the 21 days' meet took charge of the running races. Mr. Scholler made an excellent official.

Have Gone West.
Mayfield, Ky., July 7.—J. W. Tyree and family have gone to the Pecos Valley, New Mexico, to reside.

Earth Shocks in Algeria.
Constantine, Algeria, July 7.—Violent earth shocks have occurred in the Ain Melia region. Two persons were killed and several houses collapsed. Many other houses are in a dangerous condition.

WEATHER.
Unsettled weather with rain to night and probably Thursday. Highest temperature yesterday, 94; lowest today, 98. Rainfall .19.

PEOPLE PERCH IN TREES AND RIDE BOARDS

MISSOURI FLOOD CONDITION JUST BECOMING APPARENT.

IMPOSSIBLE TO GET FOOD
TO THEM BECAUSE OF
WATER.

Kansas City, Mo., July 7. (special.)—Pattonsburg, Mo., a town of 1,200 inhabitants in Davies county, is threatened with destruction from the floods of the Grand river, Big river and Grindstone creek. The water is 3 feet deep in the streets and still rising. Assistance was sent from Kansas City and St. Joseph. Telephone and telegraph wires are down. The last reports 3 are known to be dead. People were driven to the roofs and some in trees. Great loss of life is feared. The flood is sweeping towards Chillicothe, with great damage in that vicinity.

Terrible Condition.
Kansas City, July 7.—Pattonsburg is located just above the forks of the Big and Grand rivers. Other towns in the neighborhood are cut off and isolated farmers are heavy sufferers. There is great loss of livestock reported. Hundreds of refugees are in school houses. Houses, sheds and barns and trees are floating about in flood. It is feared there will be a heavy loss of life in the farm districts. Fire destroyed the home of Dr. T. C. Worley. The family escaped on board and have been in a tree top all night. A wagon load of boats left Chillicothe to rescue eight persons in trees. Pattonsburg bakeries and groceries are out of commission. A train load of provisions were sent from Chillicothe, but returned because tracks are impassable. A relief train later went from Gallatin to the edge of the flood, where supplies were transferred to boats and taken to the marooned city. Refugees report the swift current makes the rescue work difficult. Six section hands sent out by the Wabash road to keep driftwood away from the Grand river bridge are missing. It is believed they have been swept away and drowned.

I. C. & T. C.

It was current today that the Illinois Central railroad will take over the Tennessee Central railroad next Monday. Officials of both railroads held an all night conference at Princeton last night, but the details could not be learned. That the Illinois Central railroad would take over the Tennessee Central again has been the opinion of the railroad men for several months. The Tennessee Central railroad will be a connecting link with the Central of Georgia which was purchased recently.

POSTOFFICE REPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR

The report of the postoffice for the year beginning July 1, 1908, and ending June 30, 1909, is as follows: Receipts this year, \$18,127.85; last year, \$16,258.07. Receipts for June, 1909, \$5,755.50; last year, \$5,430.94. The increase for the year is \$1,867.88 and for the month of June, \$324.56. Total number of circulars sent out for the year, 145,380. Money orders issued to rural routes, 1,617; special deliveries, 6,118; registered letters sent out, 7,873, 240 of which were brought in by rural carriers, and 243 by piece carriers. There was 13,270 pieces of registered mail received during the year.

WHAT MIGHT HAVE BEEN.

Capt. W. D. Thompson, custodian of Massac park, was horrified by a young boy who brought him a ten-inch stick of dynamite yesterday morning, which he had taken out of one of the cannons on the breastworks. It had evidently been placed there before the Fourth of July celebration of the consolidated Sunday schools of Metropolis and the Woman's club, attended by over 600 children and many of their elders. While the youngsters were celebrating many cannon crackers were placed in the mouths of the big cannon. Some one also cut the rope on the flagstaff, so that the stars and stripes could not be hoisted. Captain Thompson is on the trail of a party suspected, and if his misdeed can be proven he will be dealt with severely.

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